AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION:

Please replace paragraph [0001] with the following paragraph:

[0001] This application is related to a co-pending patent application Serial No. 10/765,207, titled "METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR OPTICALLY SCANNING A PNEUMATIC TIRE OF A VEHICLE WHEEL," filed concurrently herewith; a co-pending patent application Serial No. 10/765,275, entitled "METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR BALANCING A MOTOR VEHICLE WHEEL," filed concurrently herewith; and a co-pending patent application Serial No. 10/765,206, entitled "METHOD OF MATCHING A VEHICLE WHEEL," filed concurrently herewith. All of the applications are commonly assigned to the assignee of this application, and are incorporated herein by reference in their entireties.